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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH SADAT

REF: CAIRO 8346

1. YOU WILL BE RECEIVING BY SEPARATE TELEGRAM INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE WITH SADAT ON AMOCO AND FOR A DISCUSSION OF THE LEBANESE SITUATION WITH FAHMY.
2. YOU SHOULD DRAW ON THE LATTER IN YOUR TALK WITH SADAT. YOU WILL WANT TO EMPHASIZE OUR RECOGNITION THAT THE RIYADH AND CAIRO SUMMITS WERE A TRIBUTE TO SADAT'S STATESMANSHIP AND THAT THEY ENHANCED HIS LEADERSHIP STATURE IN THE ARAB WORLD. YOU SHOULD CONVEY TO HIM MY WARM APPRECIATION OF THE ROLE HE HAS PLAYED. WHILE THERE ARE TESTS AHEAD IN THE APPLICATION OF THE RIYADH ACCORD, IT IS UNQUESTIONABLY A MAJOR STEP TOWARD A SOLUTION IN LEBANON AND TOWARD THE CREATION OF A CLIMATE CONDUCIVE TO PROGRESS ON THE BROADER QUESTION OF PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. IN THIS LATTER RESPECT YOU SHOULD REASSURE SADAT ON MY BEHALF THAT WE STIL

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VERY MUCH INTEND TO MAKE A MAJOR EFFORT TOWARD A SETTLEMENT

IN THE MONTHS AHEAD.

3. RE CAIRO 14816 REPORTING FAHMY'S FORTHCOMING MEETING

WITH GROMYKO, YOU SHOULD REINFORCE WITH SADAT THE POINT THAT, WHILE WE UNDERSTAND THAT EGYPT MUST PURSUE ITS OWN FOREIGN POLICY, ANY MARKED RAPPROCHEMENT WITH THE SOVIETS AT A TIME WHEN WE WANT TO BEGIN OUR EFFORTS TO RENEW THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS CAN ONLY COMPLICATE MATTERS FOR US. KISSINGER

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